

Status of the Iowa Workforce and Economy

Upcoming 2019 News Release Schedule

| Reference Month | Statewide News Release | Local Area News Release |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan | Mar 11 | Mar 11 |
| Feb | Mar 22 | Mar 26 |
| Mar | Apr 19 | Apr 23 |
| Apr | May 17 | May 21 |
| May | Jun 21 | Jun 25 |
| Jun | Jul 19 | Jul 23 |
| Jul | Aug 16 | Aug 20 |
| Aug | Sep 20 | Sep 24 |
| Sep | Oct 18 | Oct 22 |
| Oct | Nov 19 | Nov 19 |
| Nov | Dec 20 | Dec 24 |
| Dec | Jan 24 | Jan 28 |

Iowa Nonfarm Employment Seasonally Adjusted

| Year | Month | Iowa Statewide Employment | Manufacturing Employment |
|------|-------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2018 | Nov | 1,589,900 | 227,400 |
| | Dec | 1,593,400 | 228,100 |
| 2019 | Jan | 1,593,400 | 228,900 |
| | Feb | 1,587,300 | 228,500 |
| | Mar | 1,584,500 | 227,800 |
| | Apr | 1,589,000 | 228,400 |
| | May | 1,589,300 | 228,500 |
| | Jun | 1,594,900 | 230,500 |

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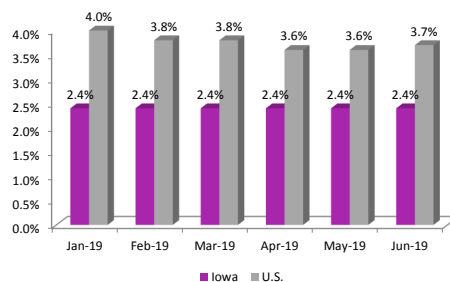
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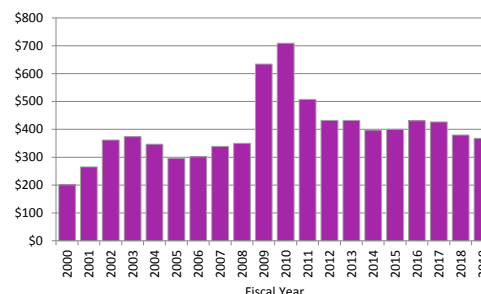
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Iowa and U.S. Unemployment Rates 2019



- Iowa's unemployment rate remained at 2.4 percent in June. The state's jobless rate was 2.5 percent one year ago.
- The state's total unemployment level increased slightly to 41,400 in June from 40,700 in May.
- The U.S. unemployment rate rose slightly to 3.7 percent in June.

Regular Unemployment Insurance Benefits Paid (\$ millions)



Source: ETA-5159

- Unemployment benefits paid during the fiscal year ending June 2019 totaled \$368 million. This represents a decrease of 3 percent from the fiscal year 2018 payout of \$380 million. The fiscal year 2019 benefit payout was the lowest since fiscal year 2008.
- The number of weeks of UI benefits paid was below one million for the second consecutive fiscal year.

- Iowa establishments gained 5,600 jobs in June and have now added jobs in three consecutive months, adding 10,400 jobs during that span.
- Manufacturing led all sectors with a 2,000 job increase in June. This sector is up 2,700 in the last three months.
- Other services gained 1,600 jobs in June.
- Construction continued to gain momentum in June and advanced by 900 jobs. There have been 3,500 jobs added since March.
- Professional and business services trended down (-1,300). This sector has only added jobs once thus far this year.
- Information shed jobs this month (-200) and has lost employment in seven of the last eight months.
- Iowa is up 10,400 jobs versus last year. Manufacturing has added the most jobs (+8,100), followed by other services (+2,000).
- U.S. total nonfarm employment rebounded in June and added 224,000 jobs. In total, 2.3 million jobs have been gained over the last twelve months.

Iowa Total Nonfarm Employment January 2018 - June 2019

